

## Dutch Provincial and City Research

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*Many online resources can be used to find Dutch ancestors. Some websites provide research tools, including gazetteers, records inventories, and maps. State- and city archives have made abstracted records, indexes, and images available on the Internet.*

### FINDING RECORDS COUNTRY-WIDE

- <https://familysearch.org/search/collection/location/1927059?region=Netherlands> – FamilySearch has put all civil registration records, many church records, indexes, population registers, emigration records, and more online. Most collections re “image only”.
- The site <http://zoekakten.nl/> facilitates easier access to the Dutch and Belgian church- and civil registration records found on FamilySearch.org. It is best searched by province, then community. Choose the record type and time-period; then link to the images. Several indexes (emigrants, military, various religious groups) and an online version of the Repertorium DTB , a nationwide parish register inventory, are also good research tools.
- <http://www.geneaknowhow.net/> – This site includes research tips, maps, and other reference material for research in Belgium and the Netherlands. In addition, there are links to digitized records and indexes. Basic instructions in English are available. To get to the digital sources, click on the folder titled “Digital Resources Netherlands and Belgium”. The left-hand navigation bar includes general information, passenger lists, and then names each province in both countries with the sections: “Internet” [lists links to various internet resources for towns in this province] and “disk” [material available on CD-Roms or DVDs, either free or for purchase]. So-called “bulletin-board systems” are listed below. Abbreviations are explained under “Explanations” on the bottom of the left-hand bar.
- <http://geneaknowhow.net/vpnd/> - „Van Papier naar Digital“ is a project to bring digitized records online. Offerings include parish registers, indexes, civil court records, and more. Search by province, then locality and record type.

### COMPILED GENEALOGIES, NAMES

- <http://www.cbg.nl> - Centrum voor Familigeschiedenis – Changing to “English” limits the resources shown. Holdings can be searched for a surname by entering the name in the search field “zoeken in Catalogus” on the home page. A color-coded page shows which categories of resources are available for this name. [Green button- hits found, grey button – nothing found]. Resources include printed genealogies in the CBG library, funeral cards and – notices, pictures, and contact information of others researching the surname, among others. Some materials are available in the “digital reading room”, mostly on a subscription basis. The “persoonskarter” (police registration cards) and – lists available from 1940 on are housed here. Copies can be requested for a fee.

- <http://www.meertens.knaw.nl/nfb/> - Family surname data base, generates maps color-coded for name frequency, explains the meaning of the surname, and links to the CBG catalog.
- <http://www.voorouders.net> – link list for Dutch research, especially compiled pedigrees online

## ARCHIVES- GENERAL

- <http://www.archiefnet.nl/> - web site for the Dutch archive system. Click on the province in which you want to search, and a list of all the archives, by type and town, comes up with automatic links. If searching for a specific locality, click on “Nederland” in the top left and choose either “plaats” (place) or “provincie” (province). English is available for part of the site. The site only comes up if the [www.](http://www.) part is typed in.
- <http://www.nationaalarchief.nl> – Web site of the National Archive. It has an English interface. If that is not working, click on “*uitgebreid zoeken*” (broad search). Includes information about Dutch Colonies with links to records.

## STATE ARCHIVES WITH SIGNIFICANT DIGITAL RESOURCES ONLINE

Some state archives have links to historical resources, such as descriptions, maps and photographs, on the general website, while genealogical resources and indexes are presented on a separate site. Whenever possible, both sites are listed.

Note: Gradually many of these collections are either linked to or incorporated into [www.Wiewaswie.nl](http://www.Wiewaswie.nl)

### Drenthe

- <http://www.drentsarchief.nl/> - link to “Drenlias” under “genealogie”, emigrant database, photographs, maps etc., and
- <http://www.drenlias.nl/> - indexes to church and civil registration records of Drenthe province, with abstracts

### Flevoland

This is a “modern province that was created in 1986 from the northwest area of Overijssel and the “Southern IJsselmeerpolder”.

- <http://www.nieuwlanderfgoed.nl/> - historical material
- <http://www.nieuwlanderfgoed.nl/archief/mijn-voorouders> - genealogical resources. The material is easily accessible through <https://www.wiewaswie.nl/> .

### Friesland

- <http://www.tresoar.nl/> - Frisian Center for Family and Local History. Click on “Zoeken naar Voorouders” to get to the family history research website
- <https://www.allefriezen.nl/en/> and for links to historical address books, a data base of historical occupations, Jewish records, and more.

### Gelderland

- <https://www.geldersarchief.nl/> - General information Web site with links to instruction, sources, maps etc. for genealogical research in Gelderland.
- <http://genealogiedomein.nl/> - Genealogy in the Achterhoek region in Gelderland Province

## Groningen

- <https://www.groningerarchieven.nl/> – Groningen Provincial Archive; includes historical material, photographs and various research guides in Dutch
- <http://allegroningen.nl/> - Genealogical section of the Groningen Archives with access to indexes and images of civil and church records. Search by name or browse the records.
- <http://www.veluwsegeslachten.nl/> - Veluwe Geslachten Genealogical Society Web site. The “Veluwe” is a cultural district in Groningen province, see <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Veluwe> . The society has published extensively.

## Limburg

- <https://www.rhcl.nl/nl/onderzoeken/zoeken/> - Regional Historical Center Limburg
- <http://www.allelimburgers.nl/genealogie.php> - Genealogical database

## North Brabant

- <https://www.bhic.nl/het-geheugen-van-brabant> - Noord-Brabant State Archive genealogical website for northeastern Noord-Brabant; go to “onderzoek het zelf”

## North Holland

This is for the province. See below for a link to the City archives of Amsterdam.

- <http://noord-hollandsarchief.nl/> - historical material, including, maps, historical newspapers, and a photograph collection; also links to WieWasWie for genealogy
- <http://noord-hollandsarchief.nl/personen/databases> - Index to almost 350,000 persons linked to the respective documents

## Overijssel

- <http://www.historischcentrumoverijssel.nl/> - Overijssel archive; includes indexed civil registration indexes and a large collection of historic picture post cards. For indexes, click on “zoeken en vinden”, then “Databanken”; for maps click on either map set under “woonomgeving”; for the photograph collection click on “beeldbank” [=picture collection]
- <https://www.historischcentrumoverijssel.nl/onderzoek/mijn-familie> - Brief explanation of sources and links to several websites and databases.

## South Holland

- <http://www.gahetna.nl/vraagbaak/onderzoeksgids/ik-zoek-iemand-doop-trouw-en-begraafboeken-zuid-holland-voor-1811> - Indexes and pre-1811 church records for most places in South Holland Province; includes research guide [in Dutch]. Records of most larger cities are not included. They are typically in the respective city archive.
- <http://www.gahetna.nl/vraagbaak/onderzoeksgids/burgerlijke-stand-zuid-holland-vanaf-1811> - Civil registration records and indexes from 1811 forward
- <http://www.gahetna.nl/trefwoord/persoon> - linked list of sources available on the website of the National Archive. Includes the VOC and former colonies.
- <https://geschiedenisvanzuidholland.nl/verhalen/archieven-in-zuid-holland-online-bronnen-en-informatie> - List of archives in South Holland- sources and information
- <https://geschiedenisvanzuidholland.nl/> - History of South Holland website

## Utrecht

- <http://www.hetutrechtsarchief.nl/> - Utrecht state archive website. The word “voorouders (ancestors)” entered in the search box results in numerous hits. Included are digitized civil registration (burgerlijke stand), church records (DTB boeken), notarial records (notariele akten), and various historical sources (verhalende historische Bronnen).
- <http://www.hetutrechtsarchief.nl/onderzoek/resultaten/archieven?mivast=39&mizig=100&miadt=39&milang=nl&miview=tbl> - Direct link to the “ancestors” database. It has several search options.

## Zeeland

- <http://www.zeeuwsarchief.nl/> - the Zeeland state archive web site. A link to “English” is on found on the bottom right front page. The genealogical data base ISIS includes indexes to church records, civil registration, emigrant lists, and other sources.
- <http://www.zeeuwengezocht.nl/nl/> - the Zeeland Archive genealogical Web site provides indexes to various record sets

## SOME CITY ARCHIVES

### Regional

- <http://digitalestamboom.nl/search.aspx> - Indexed BMD and other records from Regionaal Historisch Centrum Eindhoven, Gemeentearchief Rotterdam, Haags Gemeentearchief

### Amsterdam

- <https://www.amsterdam.nl/stadsarchief/> – “Genealogie” includes indexes and images of various sources, including “persoonskanten” and some baptisms and burials. The English interface does not allow access to as many databases as the Dutch one. On the “indexes” page each record group is followed by “zoek” [search index], “voorbeeld” [shows an annotated sample record], and “handleiding” [user instructions for the database]. Indexes are available online; scans of the actual records can be bought with a credit card.

### Breda

- <https://stadsarchief.breda.nl/collecties/genealogie> - Breda City Archive Web site, genealogical section.

### Delft

- <http://www.archief-delft.nl/> – The Web site of the Delft City Archive. Click on “open data”
- <http://collectie-delft.nl/nadere-toegangen> indexes to civil registration-, church-, and other records of Delft and the surrounding towns. Early city records are found in the “digitale arena”.

### Leiden

- <https://www.erfgoedleiden.nl/collecties/personen> – The Leiden city archive Website includes a search for “personen” [persons], which will eventually include all persons recorded in the church- and civil registration registers. The search is by name.

## **Rotterdam**

- <http://www.stadsarchief.rotterdam.nl/> - The Web site of the Rotterdam city archive includes a “section where all the church records through 1811 for greater Rotterdam, civil registration records 1811-1962, and population registers 1850-1940, have been indexed. Go to “Zoeken in collecties”, then “zoeken op personen”. Research guides are also available.

## **Schiedam**

- <https://www.schiedam.nl/gemeentearchief/> - City Archive of Schiedam. Genealogical material is found under the tab “stamboom”. You can request scans of some records without charge, and they will be sent to you by e-mail.
- <http://sgen.schiedam.nl/> - SchiedamGen – searchable linked genealogical database